SB0007/260010/1

BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 7

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with "Trotlines" in line 2 down through "Establishment" in line 3 and substitute "Gear"; in line 5, after "trotlines;" insert "repealing a provision of law prohibiting the installation, setting, operation, or maintenance of monofilament gill nets in the Chesapeake Bay to catch fish; prohibiting a person from using a monofilament gill net to catch fish, subject to a certain exception; authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to adopt regulations authorizing the use of a monofilament gill net to catch fish;"; in line 13, after "times;" insert "authorizing a licensed seafood dealer to deal in blue and flathead catfish caught under the license;"; and in line 15, strike "trotlines" and substitute "gear".

On page 2, in line 5, strike "and (b)(1)" and substitute ", (b)(1), and (d)(2)(ii)4. and 4–710(d)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 1, insert:

- "(d) (1) [Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a person may not install, set, operate, or maintain in any tidal water of the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries any monofilament gill net webbing of any description to catch fish.]
- (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A PERSON MAY NOT USE A MONOFILAMENT GILL NET TO CATCH FISH.

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(II) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF A MONOFILAMENT GILL NET TO CATCH FISH.

- (2) A person may use a monofilament cast net or a monofilament throw net to catch baitfish in any tidal water of the Chesapeake Bay or its tributaries.
- (3) In casting a monofilament net as provided under paragraph (2) of this subsection, a person:
- (i) May not use a cast net that has a radius greater than 10 feet; and
 - (ii) May cast a cast net only by hand.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 22, insert:

- "(d) (2) (ii) The following annual fees for an authorization shall apply regardless of when the license is issued or an activity is authorized:
- 4. For a person to buy, process, pack, resell, market or otherwise deal in fish caught in the tidal waters of Maryland, seafood dealer:
- A. \$50 for a person licensed under item 2 of this subparagraph or \$4-701.1 OR \$4-701.2 of this subtitle; or
- \underline{B} . \$250 for a person not licensed under item 2 of this subparagraph.".